Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—How far have you proceeded with it?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar).*—In the first instance I selected a site. That has not been approved by Government. Another site referred to in the Tahsildar's report is also directed to be examined. Examination is done along with the Chairman. The Chairman has not yet been able to come to a decision.

Mr. M. V. Cherian *(Mattancheri South).*—Is the expenditure to be met from the Municipal funds or from Government?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishar).*—That has not been settled.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—What is the area?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar).*—Somewhere in the vicinity of 5 acres.

Election—4th Legislative Council—particulars regarding.

281. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of people enfranchised for the election to the 4th Legislative Council;

(b) the number of constituencies in which there had been contest and consequent polling;

(c) the percentage of votes polled?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar).*—(a) 48,716.

(b) 19.

(c) The information is not readily available.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—With reference to answer to (c), Sir, from the number of voters and from the number of votes is it very difficult to find out?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar).*—The papers will be with the returning officers.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Anthikad).*—Cannot the Government get that information?

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Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*).—I will try to get that.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty (*Anthikad*).—Was this information asked for by the Franchise Committee?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—It is a very valuable piece of information.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*).—I do not know whether the returning officers have preserved it.

Mr. President.—After elections are over it is the practice to publish the percentage voted, number of voters and all that. I find it is not the practice here.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—Generally here it is destroyed after one year.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—As the President remarked it is usual for all Governments to publish the percentage voted, etc. May I request the Government to publish that information here also?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*).—I shall make an attempt to get it if it is available.

Mr. President.—Soon after the elections are over a notification should be published giving the percentage of persons who voted and all that. Secretary to Government will please make a note of it.

Medical men—Trichur Hospital—complaints against.

282. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar (*Nellayi*).—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there was any complaint that a patient in the Trichur Hospital died after operation and there was no responsible medical man to attend on him after the operation; if so, what action was taken by the Chief Medical Officer?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao (*Chief Medical Officer*).—No such complaint has been received.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar (*Nellayi*).—Is it a fact that when the Chief Medical Officer visited the hospital the local doctor was absent and the Chief Medical Officer had to do a major operation on account of the absence of the local Doctor?

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